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METHOD FOR A STEERING COLUMN

Examiner: Eric D. Culbreth

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

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Dear Sir:

In reply to the Office Action mailed April 26, 2006, please enter the following amendments and remarks into the file for the above-identified application. In accordance with USPTO practice, each section of this Response begins on a separate sheet. Applicant submits these amendments and remarks serve to clarify the present invention and are independent of patentability.